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**FIRST HERD DELIVERED** -- Leninskoye Znamya, No 149, 30 Jul 49

The Ministry of Meat and Dairy Industry, Karelo-Finnish SSR, is bringing cattle for immigrants from Vologda Oblast into the Karelo-Finnish Republic. The first herd of horned cattle, 218 head, has been brought to Kurkiyonskiy, Pionezhskiy, Sheltozerskiy, and Pryazhinskiy rayons. Sortaval'skiy Rayon received 132 head of cattle.

On 28 July, 333 more head of cattle were brought to the republic for immigrants living on timber enterprises in Olonetskiy and Medvezh'e gorskiy rayons. The immigrants, who gave up the cattle they had at their former residence, are now receiving cows, pigs, and sheep in return.

## KOLKHOZES PLAN USE OF PLANES -- Sovetskaya Kirgiziya, No 166, 24 Aug 49

Most mineral fertilizing on sugar beet plantations is done by hand in the fall. This method does not allow for an even distribution of fertilizer over the entire cultivated area and, consequently, results in a harvest which is not of full value.

On the initiative of the Kirgiz Department of the Civil Air Fleet, the Kirgiz Ministry of Agriculture recommended to the directors of the oblast kolхозes that spreading of mineral fertilizers on plowed ground be done with the aid of airplanes. This method will have a great advantage over hand and machine methods. It will make possible an even distribution of fertilizer over fields, save time and work, and increase labor productivity.

Considering all the advantages, the directors of the kolkhoz imeni Kirov in Kantekiy Rayon, "Ksey-Asker" and "Trudovik" in Kzy-Askerskiy Rayon, and others have come to an agreement with the Kirgiz Department of the Civil Air Fleet. Fertilizing by means of airplanes will soon be started on these kolkhozes. However, this method is not supported by most kolkhoz agricultural departments.

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In 1950, Frunze Oblast will have to grow even more sugar beets than it did in 1949. This means that kolkhozes will have to fertilize plowed ground thoroughly. It is up to the Ministry of Agriculture and the Frunze Oblast agricultural directors to aid the oblast in organizing fertilization with the aid of airplanes.

UKRAINIAN ALCOHOL INDUSTRY UPS OUTPUT -- Pravda Ukrainy, No 199, 24 Aug 49

At a meeting of alcohol industry workers, Ukrainian SSR, a discussion was held concerning the preparedness of Ukrainian SSR plants for processing the 1949 yield of raw materials. The Ukrainian alcohol industry has greatly increased its productive capacity and will produce considerably more alcohol in 1949 than it did in 1948. By producing a larger crop of potatoes, kolkhozes and sovkhoses have created conditions favorable for alcohol plants to have a higher productive output.

A great deal of work is being done to prepare alcohol plants for the 1949 season. Ten enterprises are now ready to begin processing the new crop, but a group of plants of the Sumy, Khar'kov, Chernovits, and L'vov alcohol trusts are lagging considerably in completing their repair work.

RECLAMATION WORK RESUMED -- Sovetskaya Belorussiya, No 165, 20 Aug 49

Many kolkhozes of Shumyachskiy, Yershichskiy, and other rayons of Smolensk Oblast have resumed work, which was interrupted by the war, in the reclamation of marshes. Damaged canals and ditches are being reconstructed. Over 800 hectares of land have been prepared for plowing, meadow cultivation, or peat cutting.

STAVROPOL' KRAY FULFILLS GRAIN PROCUREMENT PLAN -- Kommunist, No 196, 20 Aug 49

Kolkhozes and sovkhoses of Stavropol' Krai fulfilled the state plan for grain procurement (excluding corn) 102 percent and ahead of schedule. This includes the plan for procurement of wheat.

Kolkhozes and sovkhoses pledged to fulfill the plan for corn procurement ahead of schedule and to deliver to the state not less than 3 million pud of grain above the general plan.

PROCESS FLAX CROP -- Sovetskaya Latvija, No 200, 25 Aug 49

Daugavpils -- A bountiful flax crop has ripened in Daugavpils Uyezd. Kolkhoz workers in Preyl'skiy Volost have already pulled and rippled the flax and now are wet-retting stalks from about 250 hectares. Two other kolkhozes are wet-retting the same amount.

In Bikerniyekskiy Volost, the "Pravda" Kolkhoz has pledged to have over 10 tons of flax fiber for the state by 1 September.

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